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ICA		✓	TCU		
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MILGP			FAA		
			CHRON		✓
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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: EFIN, SHUM, AR, FR, EEC

SUBJECT: FRENCH PRESSURES ON ARGENTINA TO IMPROVE HUMAN RIGHTS

REF: STATE 182299

EMBASSY MENTIONED PROBLEM OF HUMAN RIGHTS SITUATION IN ARGENTINA TO MFA DIRECTOR FOR WESTERN HEMISPHERE AFFAIRS DANIELS. HE WAS SOMEWHAT SURPRISED TO HEAR THAT FRENCH HAD IMPLIED EUROPEAN COMMUNITY WAS UNWILLING TO ACT ON POSSIBLE LIMITATION OF EXPORT CREDIT TO ARGENTINA. TO BEST OF DUTCH KNOWLEDGE, ONLY OCCASION WHEN COMMUNITY HAD DISCUSSED SITUATION DANISH PRESIDENCY HAD BEEN AUTHORIZED TO MAKE DEMARCHE TO ARGENTINA ON HUMAN RIGHTS IN EARLY APRIL. HOWEVER, VERY RECENTLY FRENCH EMBASSY OFFICER IN THE HAGUE HAD APPROACHED MFA IN EXPLORATORY MANNER TO INQUIRE EXTENT OF DUTCH FINANCIAL DEALINGS WITH ARGENTINA. MFA THOUGHT THIS COULD MEAN THAT FRENCH WERE CONSIDERING SOME INITIATIVE IN THIS ARE. APPARENTLY FRENCH WERE UNDER SOME INTERNAL POLITICAL PRESSURE BECAUSE OF IMPRISONMENT OF FRENCH NATIONALS IN ARGENTINA. SO FAR AS DUTCH WERE CONCERNED, POSSIBILITY OF LIMITING CREDITS WAS ONE IN WHICH SEVERAL MINISTRIES WOULD BE INVOLVED AND SO FAR, QUITE UNLIKE CHILE, LITTLE DUTCH CONCERN HAD DEVELOPED THAT WOULD LEAD TO FURTHER ACTION OF SORT FRENCH APPARENTLY WERE CONSIDERING.

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ARGENTINA PROJECT (S200000044)

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Margaret P. Grafeld, Director

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